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INCONTINENCE

Examiner: Adam Curtis Brandt

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R 1.143

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Dear Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement, mailed February 13, 2007, in connection with the above application. Applicants respectfully request an extension of the period for filing a reply in the above identified application for one month under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). A Petition for a one-month extension of time is filed herewith.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect Group I, claims 1, 3-4, 6, and 11-19, for continued examination, with traverse. Applicants request reconsideration of this restriction requirement for the reasons that follow.

Telephonic Interview

Applicants appreciate the time and attention of Examiner Brandt in discussing the issues surrounding the outstanding Restriction during the telephonic interview of March 1, 2007. In the interview, the Examiner clarified the basis for the outstanding restriction requirement, in particular,